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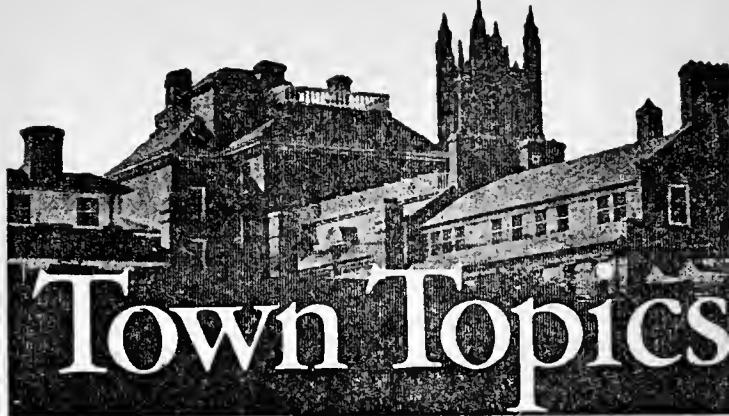
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Princetonians will recall that during World War II Tiger football-stock dropped out of sight, at a time when educators were debating the merits of wartime athletics. Near war's end Coach Charles W. Caldwell Jr., a member of the 1922 "Team of Destiny," was called back to his alma mater and in 1946 a majority of this fall's seniors resumed their studies. No kind of inducement was extended to them, no promises were made and yet, one-by-one, seven Army veterans, six naval returnees and two ex-Marines made their way to University Field to report for the grind that is intercollegiate football.

A year ago 12 of them helped write Princeton athletic history by filling major roles in the unparalleled upset of Pennsylvania and last Saturday 13 seniors, abetted by equally able underclassmen, returned the "Big Three" diadem to New Jersey and were instrumental in holding the Bulldog scoreless for the first time in a quarter-century. That 17-0 victory over Yale, a team effort if there ever was one, was the climax of a difficult period of readjustment, a period during which they were shouldering academic burdens as heavy as any carried by non-football-playing undergraduates.

All in all, they are an amazing and still typical post-war galaxy. Their average age upon graduation will be 23-plus, some 14 months above the mean age of pre-war senior classes. Honor grades in their fields of specialization are the rule rather than the exception. Five of them are married, one commutes to the campus from his permanent home and another became a father less than 24 hours after he had scored two touchdowns against an Ivy Group rival.

For their high sense of purpose, for their contributions to the morale of the whole university community, for their great potentialities as thinking citizens and leaders of tomorrow, Captain Dick West, Frank Perantoni, Bob Meyer, Tom Finical, Bill Gallagher, Dan Williams, Bill Koch, Jim Granbery, Matt Atkinson, Bolling Robertson, Charley Brown, Art Burns, Ken Keuffel, Paul Cowie and George Franke are *TOWN TOPICS'* nominees for

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Act II: Ten Years Later. A decade or so ago, the patrolmen on the police force who handle the most traffic assignments began asking for proper nighttime identification: white belts, reflectors, white caps, white capes—something to make it possible for motorists to spot after dusk what was otherwise a uniform as black as night itself. Instead, they got lighted batons to aid in directing traffic, nothing white to wear.

On Tuesday of this week, the police committee, whose policy is directed by Commissioner J. Dayton Voorhees and Chief Edward W. Mahan, changed its mind. White capes were ordered, so easily procurable that they'll be here Saturday for use after the Dartmouth game.

When they come, one of the capes will be put aside for five or six months. Patrolman Charles J. Anderson can have it then, when he returns to duty after recovering from injuries received when he was struck by a car whose driver never saw him directing traffic at Prospect & Washington after the Yale game.

While quiet, able Carl Anderson (a Seabee during the war) waits for the serious bone fracture in his leg to heal, he and a lot of other Princetonians will do some serious thinking about the sickening increase in traffic accidents here. Records to date show that 1946's total of 67 is on its way to being tripled by December 31.

Failure to restore to working order after a full 12 months the traffic signals at Nassau Street and University Place is a

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symbol of the need for action. Here cars, busses and trucks approach from five different directions at every conceivable angle; there are three crosswalks and more jaywalking pedestrians than clowns in a circus. If memory does not fail, the past decade has seen two or three fatalities there. But the traffic lights haven't worked since the early Fall of '46.

The good fortune that kept Carl Anderson alive isn't issued in an inexhaustible supply.

Drew Pearson, Please Copy. After giving more generously to the Friendship Train than many a big city, small-town America got a thorough brush-off in the attendant ceremonies. If Princeton's experience was in any way typical, scores of communities could tell a story something like this:

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Calendar of the Week

Saturday, November 22d

11:30 a.m.: Football: Princeton J. V. vs. Dartmouth J. V.; University Field.
2:00 p.m.: Football: Princeton vs. Dartmouth; Palmer Stadium.

Sunday, November 23d

7:00, 8:30, 10:00, 11:00 a.m.: Mass, St. Paul's Roman Catholic Church.
11:00 a.m.: University Preacher, the Rev. Burton A. MacLean; University Chapel.
"Let Us Give Thanks," the Rev. Dr. Frank S. Niles; First Church.
Centennial Thanksgiving Service; Sermon, the Rev. Dr. William L. Tucker; Second Church.
Sermon, the Rev. Victor B. Stanley Jr.; Every Member Sunday; Trinity Church.
Sermon, the Rev. Father Thomas S. Logan, of Calvary Episcopal Church, Philadelphia; Witherspoon Church.
"Soul and Body," Lesson-Sermon; First Church of Christ, Scientist.
Guest Preacher, the Rev. Ralph Bates; Methodist Church.
"The Cost of Salvation," the Rev. Milton J. Nauss; Lutheran Service; Chapel, Westminster Choir College.

7:30 p.m.: Choral Evensong; Trinity Church.
8:00 p.m.: Oratorio Choir of Westminster Choir College, 100 voices singing Oratorio—Verdi's "Requiem"; First Church.
"The Sin of David," the Rev. Milton A. Galamison; Witherspoon Church.
Lutheran Doctrinal Discussion; Y. W| C. A., 202 Nassau Street.

8:15 p.m.: Evening Service; First Church of Christ, Scientist.

Tuesday, November 25th

8:00 p.m.: Borough Council Meeting; Borough Hall.
P. T. A. Meeting, Township School.
Meeting, Borough Board of Education; Princeton H. S.

Wednesday, November 26th

8:00 p.m.: Preparatory Service, December Communion; First Church.
Mid-Week Service; Methodist Church.

8:15 p.m.: Mid-Week Service; First Church of Christ, Scientist.

Thursday, November 27th

8:00 a.m.: Holy Communion; Trinity Church.
10:30 a.m.: Union Thanksgiving Service, seven Princeton churches and Princeton University Chapel; University Chapel.

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News of the Theatres

The Playhouse

That Hagen Girl (Fri., Sat.) casts Shirley Temple as a young girl of doubtful background who finds life hard in a small town until Ronald Reagan proves to be her hero. Very routine fare in soap opera form.

Wild Harvest (Sun. thru Wed.), with mid-western wheat-harvesting as the setting, provides rough & tumble romance among Dorothy Lamour, Alan Ladd, Robert Preston. Some excitement (including a chase and a fire), but weak in plot and worse in acting.

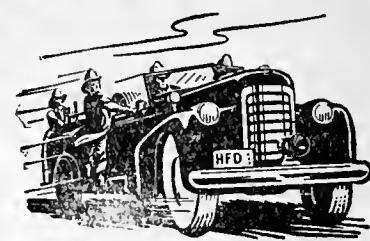
Merton of the Movies (Thurs., Fri., Sat.) is not as funny as it was 20 years ago, when Hollywood first ribbed itself in a picture. Red Skelton's version of this comedy about the film capital is only occasionally amusing.

The Garden

Wistful Widow of Wagon Gap (Fri., Sat.), a horse opera western, is Abbott, Costello and more slapstick than most moviegoers can stand.

The Great Waltz (Mon., Tues., Wed.), a 1938 reissue, is the story of Johann Strauss' life with much of his superb music on the sound track. Dated now but one of the best musicals of the 'thirties.

Bells of San Angelo (Thurs., Fri., Sat.) is the latest Roy Rogers western in color, featuring a border fracas with villainous smugglers. Good of its kind.



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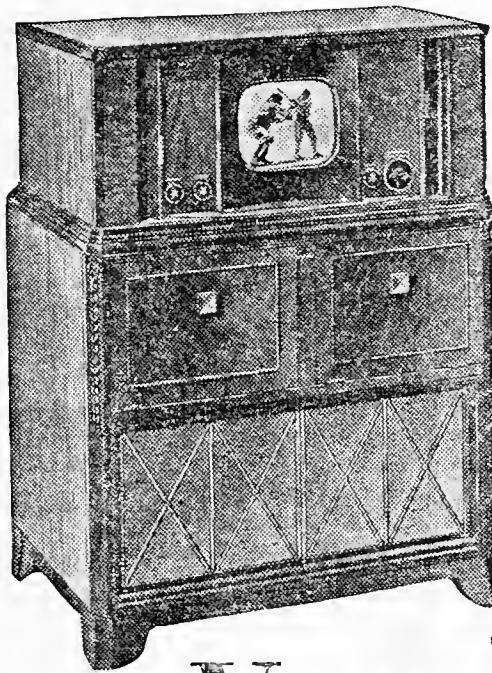


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